

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADE MARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Wong

Serial No: 10/011/018

Filed: December 4, 2001

For: "Methods and Devices for Reducing Integrated

Circuit Power Consumption in Implantable Cardiac

Stimulation Devices"

Date:

Hug. 16, 2004

Group Art Unit: 3762

Examiner: George C. Manuel

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT **UNDER** SECTION 711.03(c) OF THE MPEP

Dear Sir or Madame:

This Petition is submitted for consideration as instructed by the Attachment to the Notice of Abandonment. We received the Notice of Abandonment for the captioned case August 16, 2004.

This Notice of Abandonment was unexpected because on May 3, 2004, we sent a Request for Status regarding this case stating we have not received any office action in over two years and requested current status of the application. The accompanying postcard was stamped received by the USPTO mailroom on May 6, 2004. A copy of the Request for Status and postcard are enclosed. No response to this Request for Status was ever received.

The Notice of Allowance which the Notice of Abandonment said we never responded to was never received by our office. If we had received it, we would not have asked for status on May 3, 2004 and would have paid the issue fee.

Our mailroom receives and distributes mail addressed to me and to all the employees at this location daily by sorting and then inserting our mail into our mailboxes. The mailboxes are centrally located for this 701 E. Evelyn Avenue address. My secretary retrieves my mail from my mailbox daily, opens the mail, dockets the office action and the due dates onto our CPI database, then retrieves the appropriate patent file folder and places the office action on top of the file folder for my review and action.

Apparently, the Notice of Allowance was lost in the mail. It was not anyone's fault. Respectfully, please grant this Petition to Withdraw the Notice of Abandonment and re-mail the Notice of Allowance.

Please charge the Petition fee of \$130.00 to Account 22-0265 and for any additional fee required. A duplicate of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven M. Mitchell Reg. No. 31,857

Attorney for Applicant

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Date: 8/16/04

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REPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT; RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Decision on Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment dated 10/20/04, the practitioner attests to the following facts:

- 1) The Notice of Allowance was never received by the practitioner. This was explained on the Petition to Withdraw Notice of Abandonment under Section 711.03(c) of the MPEP, received on August 19, 2004 by the Commissioner for Patents. A copy of that Petition is enclosed.
- 2) A search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Notice of Allowance was not received. A Request for Status was sent to the Commissioner of Patents on May 3, 2004 when no Office Action or activity on the file was received or docketed in over 2 years. Documentation regarding the Request for Status was included in the Petition to Withdraw Notice of Abandonment received by the Commissioner on August 19, 2004. No response to the Request for Status was ever received leaving practitioner unaware of the issuance of the Notice of Allowance.
- 3) Enclosed is a copy of the printout from our docketing database where the Notice of Allowance would have been entered if it was received. Also enclosed is a copy of the front of the file folder for this case, VT0322-US1, where the Notice of Allowance would have been docketed upon receipt.

Please grant this renewed Petition submitted under 37 CFR 1.181.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$130.00 Petition Fee to Deposit Account No. 22-0265. This form is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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